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National Freedom of Information Act Officer  
U.S. Environmental Protection Agency  
1200 Pennsylvania Ave., N.W. (2822T)  
Washington, D.C. 20460

Re: Freedom of Information Act Request

Pursuant to the Freedom of Information Act ("FOIA"), 5 U.S.C. § 522, as amended, and the FOIA regulations promulgated by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency ("EPA") in 40 C.F.R. Part 2, we hereby request a copy of any and all communications<sup>1</sup> between individuals involved with the Office of Transportation and Air Quality and the following listed individuals:

1. U.S. Senator Chuck Grassley or anyone acting on behalf of Senator Grassley (including both personal and committee staff); or
2. U.S. Senator Joni Ernst or anyone acting on behalf of Senator Ernst (including both personal and committee staff).

The relevant time period for this request is 2016-present.

If an exemption or denial under FOIA is claimed, we request that you furnish us with all non-exempt portions of such records. We further request that, regardless whether the disclosure of a record is denied in whole or in part, EPA provide us with the following information regarding such withheld records or portions thereof:

1. The title of the communication;
2. The date of the communication;
3. A description of the general nature and subject matter of the communication;
4. The identity of the author or authors of the communication;
5. The identity of all persons who received the communication; and

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<sup>1</sup> The term "communication" as used herein includes non-identical copies and drafts, printed, reproduced by hand or otherwise, and includes, but is not limited to, letters, correspondence, notes, summaries of personal or telephone conversations and interviews, minutes or records of meetings or conferences, electronic correspondence such as "e-mail" and text messages, and other communications recorded in any form or medium.

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6. The reasons for the claim of exemption.

Please e-mail the responsive documents or a downloadable link to me at [christine.wyman@bracewell.com](mailto:christine.wyman@bracewell.com). However, if this is not practical, please contact me via email or at (202) 828-5801 to discuss the best delivery option. If a portion of this request can be fulfilled before completing the entire request, we would like to obtain any material as it becomes available. Under 40 C.F.R. § 2.107(b), the fee category is "commercial use request." We authorize costs of any amount associated with copying and review time to prepare the response to this request. However, please contact me if you estimate that the fees will exceed \$2,000.

Pursuant to 40 C.F.R. § 2.104(a), it is our understanding that we will receive a response within 20 working days from the date this request is received. Thank you for your attention to this request.

Very truly yours,

Christine Wyman

